

Wisconsin Club Ministries

Adventurer Leaders Packet

2025-2026 Edition



This packet is designed to be a resource to you as you lead your club this year, specifically as you prepare for the year-end Adventurer Fun Days, and will equip you for attaining this year's 100 Club trophy.

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What Do Excellent Adventurer Clubs Do?

1. Register their club with the Conference and have all staff complete required child safety training and background check (all forms and directions can be found at wakonda.org/leadership-resources).
2. Meet regularly for at least ten months of the year. The best practice is to meet once a week for 1.5-2 hours. You can get away with two longer meetings per month or one really long meeting per month, but learning something new when you only demonstrate it once or twice a month is really hard. We understand it might not be possible in all situations, and once or twice a month is better than zero times a month, but strive for once a week.
3. Include the following items in their meeting agendas: Opening exercises (prayer, worship, recite pledge and law), teach awards, and prepare for special events.
4. Make time for regular planning meetings and report activities to the Conference.
5. Send leaders to the Conference LeaderShop weekend in the Fall. Important information for the upcoming year is discussed every year at this event. It is super helpful for leaders to attend.
6. Attend the yearly Family Camporee at Camp Wakonda. There will be a campsite inspection at all camporees (not for points, but to get in the practice for Pathfinders down the line).
7. Help out in a Pathfinder or Youth Sabbath at the local church.
8. Conduct an Investiture ceremony in the Spring, and an induction ceremony in the Fall. Your local Area Coordinators or Conference Director can assist you with these events, and there are suggested programs for these events within this packet. More likely than not, you'll be able to do this in conjunction with your local Pathfinder Club, to make planning easier.
9. Attend and participate in the Adventurer Fun Day. There are two events each year, one for clubs up north and one for clubs down south, so choose the event that will be closer for you.
10. Attend the first Sabbath of Wisconsin Conference Camp Meeting (or Hispanic Camp Meeting) and march in the Camp Meeting Pathfinder Parade that morning.
11. Produce a Year-in-Review picture slideshow to show their accomplishments for the year.
12. Have fun and help kids learn about Jesus!

Adventurer 100 Club Scoring Form 2025-2026

Monthly Reports

Report in by 10 th of the month (or otherwise stated)	___/2 points
At least two club meetings held each month	___/2 points
<u>Minutes</u> of monthly staff meeting	___/2 points
Awards taught	___/2 points
Total points per month	___/8 points
Total of Monthly Reports	___96 points

Other Points

LeaderShop Attendance	___/10 points
Adventurer Family Camporee Attendance	___/10 points
Adventurer Fun Day Attendance	___/10 points
Pathfinder/Youth Sabbath at Local Congregation	___/5 points
Induction Ceremony	___/5 points
Investiture Ceremony	___/5 points
Camp Meeting Parade	___/5 points
Year-end Slideshow	___/5 points
Total Special Event Points for year	___65 Points

Grand Total for the Year (Monthly Reports + Other Points) ___ / 161 pts

Placement for Trophy ___ / 100 pts

NAD/Wisconsin Official Class-A Uniform Criteria

Shirt: Sky blue button-up dress shirt; short sleeve (adults can have long sleeve)

Pants/Skirt:

- Boys: Navy slacks, straight leg, pleated front, belt loops, no cuff
- Girls: Navy jumper, A-line, pleated front, belt loops, hem at or below knee

Socks/Nylons: Black, dressy

Shoes: Black dress shoes (boys), black flats (option for girls)

Sash: Navy (length should be to the left hand's fingertips)

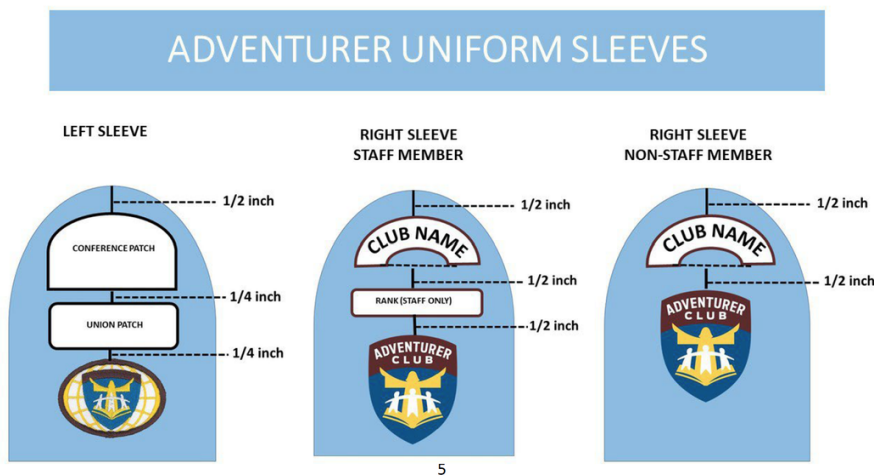
Scarf: Maroon Adventurer Scarf with cloth slide

Belt: Plain black leather belt with silver buckle (optional Adventurer buckle)

Neckwear: Adults encouraged to wear black necktie, Adventurers are not

Name Badges: Adults encouraged to wear a name badge, Adventurers should not

Patches:



Pathfinder Parade Instructions

If your Adventurer would like to march in the parade at Wisconsin Conference Camp Meeting, you are invited to do so. The meeting time and place is at 9:00am, on the paved road by the Baseball Field. Class-A Dress Uniform is required for all participants. Please have your Adventurers lined up and ready to go on time and in proper order. You'll just be with your local Pathfinder Club. If you don't have a local Pathfinder Club, then you'll line up alphabetically, by club name (A in the front, Z in the back)

This form will also apply to Adventurer camping events...



WISCONSIN CONFERENCE PATHFINDER CAMPSITE INSPECTION FORM

Club Name: _____ Inspector: _____

	YES	NO	Points Possible
<u>TENTS</u>			
Alignment (neat, not scattered) ropes & tie-downs installed properly.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	5
Uniformity of doors and windows (doors must be open & screen closed).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	5
Interior neat, items uniform within each tent, area swept. (NOTE: The only items that are to be seen in each individual tent are the Bible, flashlight, duffle bag/backpack/suitcase, sleeping bag/bedroll, & pillow).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	5
Bible at head of bed with flashlight pointing towards it.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	5
<u>UNIFORMS</u>			
Insignias sewn on neatly and in proper position.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	5
100 % of Club in official Pathfinder dress uniform.	<input type="checkbox"/>		15
80 % of Club in official Pathfinder dress uniform.	<input type="checkbox"/>		10
50 % of Club in official Pathfinder dress uniform.	<input type="checkbox"/>		5
(NOTE: New clubs in existence less than six months will be awarded 10 points if not in the official Pathfinder dress uniform but dressed similarly)			
<u>CAMPSITE</u>			
Flags and guidons correctly posted, neat and clean.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	10
Cleanliness, paper and trash policed. (10 yd radius)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	5
Shovel and Fire extinguisher	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	5
<u>HEALTH FACILITIES</u>			
First-aid Kit available, well equipped, marked, and in plain sight.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	10
Copy of medical consent forms for all Pathfinders & staff.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	10

COOKING AREA

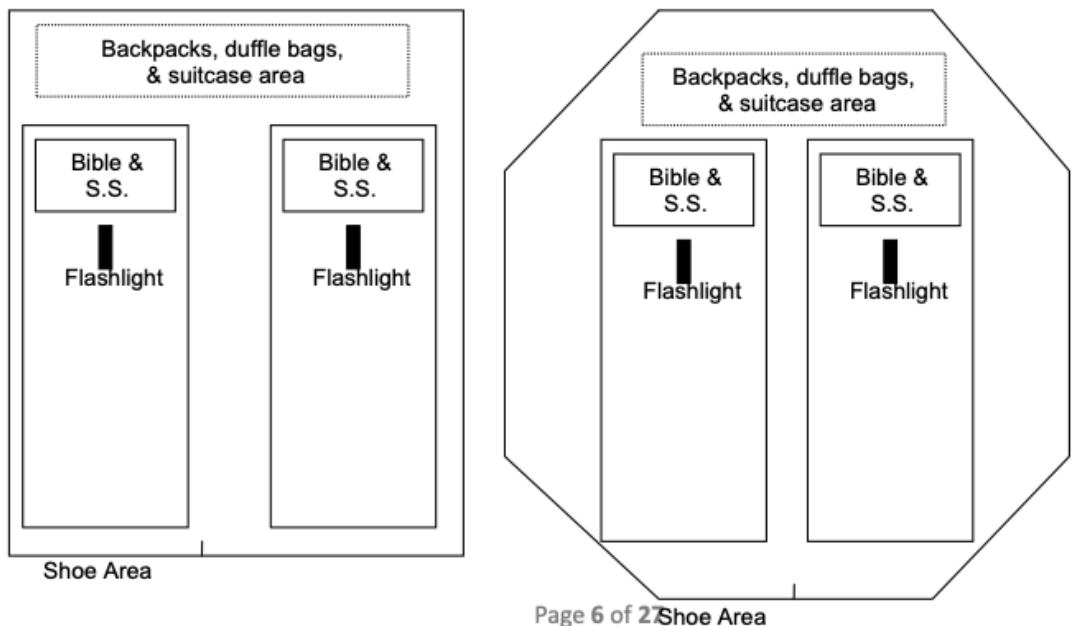
Stoves clean, fires in safe condition away from tents.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	5
Food & utensils stored properly, animal & insect free, clean.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	5
Proper trash & garbage storage area provided.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	5
Dish washing and clean-up area provided.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	5

(100 Points Possible) **TOTAL POINTS** _____
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COMMENTS: _____

The club director is to be presented a copy of this report, and is expected to make the necessary improvements by the next inspection.

Typical Tent Setup



Possible Adventuer/Pathfinder/Youth Sabbath Programs

CHURCH SERVICE NO.1

Prelude

Ministers enter

Silent prayer

Doxology

Invocation

Presentation of Colors

 Pathfinders march in and take places

 Pledge and Law

 Post flags

 Honor Guard returns to seats

 Congregation and Pathfinders seated

Scripture reading: 1Timothy 4:12

Hymn No. 529, "Under His Wings"

Congregational prayer

Offering

Special music

Pathfinder report--Pathfinder club director

Sermon by pastor, child preacher, or guest

Hymn No. 508, "Anywhere With Jesus"

Benediction

Adult Sabbath School can also be directed by Pathfinders. 202 PATHFINDER DAY

CHURCH SERVICE NO.2

Prelude

Personal ministries period Pathfinder missionary experiences Processional
 Ministers, directors, pathfinders

Introit (platform group kneeling) Choir

Doxology

Invocation Pathfinder

Post Colors Color guard

Welcome Pastor

Scripture Reading: 1 Timothy 4:12 Pathfinder

Hymn no. 529 "Under His Wings"

Prayer Two Pathfinders

Pathfinder Song Pathfinders

Pathfinder Happenings Teen

Pathfinder Pledge and Law Pathfinder choir

Song of Instrumental Selection Pathfinders

Pathfinder Objectives Club director

Offering

Sermon Pastor, child preacher, or guest

Hymn no. 508, "Anywhere With Jesus"

Benediction

CHURCH SERVICE NO.3

Prelude

Personal Ministries Period

Minister and platform personnel enter

Processional: "The Captain Calls for You" Organ, Piano, and Trumpets

Marching order: Color guard Directors Staff Pathfinder units

Pledge of allegiance to Bible and flag

Flags and guidons posted

Invocation

Welcome (Introduces Pathfinder club director)

Pastor

Scripture: 1 Timothy 4:12

Pathfinder

Pathfinder Song

Pathfinders&Congregation

Prayer

Special music

Pathfinder

"Pathfinder Happening" (A report)

Teen Pathfinder

Pledge

Pathfinder

"What Pathfinding Means to Me"

Pathfinder

Law

Pathfinder

"Why I am a Pathfinder"

Pathfinder

Objectives and needs of club Club

Director,Counselor

Offering

Special music

Pathfinders

Sermon

Pastor, director, guest speaker,

Hymn No. 529, "Under His Wings"

Benediction

Recessional: "Onward Christian Soldiers"

CHURCH SERVICE NO.4

Prelude, Ministers and platform personnel enter

Doxology and Invocation

Processional: "Onward Christian Soldiers" (Pathfinders march in led by the national and Pathfinder flags. Color guards post themselves on floor in front of pulpit. All stand when flags enter and remain standing until flags are posted on the platform.)

Pathfinder Song, Pledge, and Law

Pathfinders

Posting of Flags

Pathfinders

Scripture Reading: Proverbs 22:6 or Ephesians 6:1-4

Pathfinder Prayer

Pathfinder Welcome and Director's Report

Pathfinder Director

Special music

Pathfinders

"Why I Am a Pathfinder"

Pathfinder

"How did it all begin?"

Pathfinders

Offering

Teen Pathfinder

Special music

Pathfinder or Pathfinders

Sermonette

Director, guest, Pathfinder

Hymn no. 543, "Jesus, Friend of Little Children"

Benediction

Pathfinder

Postlude

Possible Investiture Programs

Program Format Suggestion No. 1

Prelude	
Song Service	
Special Music	
Scripture	
Welcome	
Prayer	
Pathfinder/Pledge	Given by all candidates (Have a student give his interpretation.)
Pathfinder/Law	Given by all candidates (Have eight students give their interpretations, of one of the eight points, each student presenting one of the eight parts of the law.)
Special Music	Club members
Memory Work	Any or all class levels
Practical Demonstrations	Skits, Charades, Play, etc.
1. Favorite Bible Story	
2. Knot tying	
3. Nature nuggets	
4. First aid\	
5. Story of favorite pet	
6. Hiking and camping	
7. Honors earned	
8. National Flag demonstration	
9. Famous countrymen	
10. Physical fitness	
Certification of Candidates	Pathfinder director or pastor
Challenge of Junior	Youth Conference youth director, pastor, or qualified Master Guide
The Charge and Presentation of Insignia Coordinator.	Conference Youth Director or Area
Consecration and Prayer of Dedication	Pastor
Announcements	Summer camp, camp meeting, etc.
Benediction	Teen Pathfinder

Program Format Suggestion No. 2

Scripture

Song

Special Music

Prayer

Sermonette

Symposium by Candidates

 Memory work

 Pathfinder Pledge and Law

 Practical demonstrations

Certification of Candidates

Charge and Presentation

Consecration Prayer

Camp Film (Promotion for summer camping)

Song

Prayer

Program format suggestion No. 3

Musical prelude or song service

Pathfinders parade with or without flags into the church or hall singing or marching
to the tune of the Pathfinder Song or Onward Christian Soldiers, etc.

Flags are placed according to regulation.

Pledge of Allegiance where necessary—all

Pathfinder Law, Pathfinder Pledge—by all Pathfinders

Welcome and Introductions

Pathfinder Song—by all

Prayer by Pathfinder

Scripture—recitation of memory work by Pathfinder

Special song

Practical demonstrations of various kinds—knot tying, witnessing, skit, etc.

Guest speakers—short remarks

Certification of candidates

Charge and presentation of insignia

Consecration prayer

Recessional—by marching

Photographs and report completion for Conference/mission

Induction Ceremony (to be overseen by Master Guides and Coordinators)

Suggested Induction Ceremony (The directions are worded for a Pathfinder Club inducting one candidate, but they may be adapted for any number of candidates.)

Preparation Materials needed: 1. Table 2. Pathfinder Emblem 3. Pathfinder Banners 4. Pathfinder Flag 5. National Flag 6. Candles—one 15" white; six 10" Pathfinder/AJY Class colors; eight 8" white for Law; and seven 8" white for Pledge.

Procedure Place a table at the induction ceremony site. Center a large Pathfinder Emblem directly behind the table, with a Pathfinder Pledge banner on the right of the emblem and a Pathfinder Law banner to the left of the emblem. In the center of the table directly in front of the Pathfinder emblem place a 15-inch candle representing the spirit of Pathfinding. In front of this candle place six 10-inch candles—blue, red, green, silver (black, if silver not available), burgundy, and gold, representing the six Pathfinder Classes. In front of these six colored candles place a candle-holder for the candidate's candle to be placed during the ceremony. In front of the Pathfinder Law banner on a line with the "Spirit of Pathfinding" candle, center eight white eight-inch candles. Place seven white eight-inch candles similarly in front of the Pathfinder Pledge banner.

Display the National Flag to the right (as participants face the audience) of the table and a Pathfinder Flag to the left of the table.

Seat the Pathfinders by units in a "V" formation, the open end toward the table with the candles. The candidate sits in the center of the formation. The director stands to the right of the table (facing the Pathfinders), and the deputy director stands to the left of the table (facing the Pathfinders).

Script for Ceremony. After the director has given a briefing of the program procedure to the candidates and special guests, he pronounces:

"I hereby declare the induction ceremony of the _____ Pathfinder Club now in order." (The room is darkened.)

The director lights the "Spirit of Pathfinding" candle while saying:

"For the light of our program we turn to the Spirit of Pathfinding. The candle that I now light represents this spirit. It is the spirit of adventure, fun, learning, camaraderie, awareness, and awakening, and above all, a spirit of reverence and a Spirit of Service to God and man. This light is of itself not complete or sufficient. To introduce the

complementary lights we call on our deputy director, _____.
(name)

While lighting each candle representing it, the deputy director defines the six Classes as follows: (Six Pathfinders may present the following as well.)

Pathfinder/ Friend Class is a course of study in learning, skills, and physical fitness that will help one to be a better neighbor now and a friend of God throughout eternity.

Pathfinder/ Companion Class is a course of study in learning, skills, and physical fitness that will give more meaning to life and a companionship with Jesus Christ every hour of the day.

Pathfinder/ Explorer Class is a course of study that will help one to find new adventure in exploring God's world to secure true and genuine happiness.

Pathfinder/ Ranger Class is a course of study that will open up new areas of discovery in the natural and spiritual world to secure true and genuine happiness.

Pathfinder/ Voyager Class is a course of study in physical, mental, cultural, and spiritual development that challenges the teen to develop a wholesome self-concept and Christian life-style.

Pathfinder/ Guide Class is a course of study that emphasizes personal growth and spiritual discoveries and prepares the Pathfinder for development of new skills in leadership and survival techniques.

When the six Pathfinder Class candles have been lit, the director replaces the "Spirit of Pathfinding" candle in its original position. He then explains to the candidate that the large candle is symbolic of the Pathfinder program, emphasizing the high ideals for which the club stands and the growth that the Pathfinder will make as a club member. He then calls upon the Pathfinders to proceed with the ceremony of lighting the Pathfinder Law candles.

Eight of the highest-ranked Pathfinders, previously chosen, light the Pathfinder Law candles. Their selection is on the basis of Pathfinder Class, club office, club record, Pathfinder Excellence ribbon, etc. In turn, each of the eight Pathfinders marches smartly to the front, salutes the director with a hand salute, takes the "Spirit of Pathfinding" candle and lights one of the Pathfinder Law candles. (The director returns each salute.)

After the Pathfinder replaces the "Spirit of Pathfinding" candle he again salutes the director and repeats, "Sir, I represent the candidate who hereby vows to: (repeats one of the following definitions according to the candle he has lit.)"

1. "Keep the Morning Watch," meaning I will have prayer and personal Bible study each day.

2. "Do my honest part," meaning by the power of God I will help others, and do my duty and my honest share, wherever I may be.
3. "Care for my body," meaning I will be temperate in all things and strive to reach a high standard of physical fitness.
4. "Keep a level eye," meaning I will not lie, cheat or deceive, and will despise dirty talk or evil thinking.
5. "Be courteous and obedient," meaning I will be kind and thoughtful of others, reflecting the love of Jesus in all my association with others.
6. "Walk softly in the sanctuary," meaning in any devotional exercise I will be quiet, careful, and reverent.
7. "Keep a song in my heart," meaning I will be cheerful and happy and let the influence of my life be as sunshine to others.
8. "Go on God's errands," meaning I will always be ready to share my faith and go about doing good as did Jesus.

When the Pathfinder Law candles have all been lit, the deputy director declares, "On behalf of the worldwide Pathfinder Club I accept the candidate's vow to observe the Pathfinder Law."

The director then calls for the lighting of the Pathfinder Pledge candles. The same procedure as used in the lighting of the Pathfinder Law candles is followed by seven high-ranking Pathfinders. After each candle is lit, the Pathfinder repeats to the director, "Sir, I represent the candidate, who pledges (repeats one of the following points according to the candle he has lit)."

1. "By the grace of God," meaning that only as I rely on God to help me, can I do His will.
2. "I will be pure," meaning I will not only be considerate and kind to my fellow men but also to all of God's creation.
3. "I will be kind" meaning that I will rise above the wicked world in which I live and keep my life clean with words and actions that will make others happy.
4. "I will be true," meaning I will be honest and upright in study, work and play and can always be counted upon to do my very best.
5. "I will keep the Pathfinder Law," meaning I will seek to understand the meaning of the Pathfinder Law and will strive to live up to its spirit, realizing that obedience to law is essential in any organization.
6. "I will be a servant of God," meaning I will pledge myself to serve God first, last and best in everything I am called upon to be or do.
7. "I will be a friend to man," meaning I will live to bless others and do unto them as I would have them do unto me.

At the completion of the lighting of the Pathfinder Pledge candles, the deputy director declares, "On behalf of the worldwide Pathfinder Club I accept the candidate's vow to live by the Pathfinder Pledge."

The director then asks the club members to stand, and the candidate for membership is called forward to take position in front of the table between the deputy director and the director, facing the club members and standing at attention. The director then asks him to affirm dedication to the high principles of the Pathfinder Club and repeat the Pathfinder Pledge and Law. (If more than one candidate are presented, the Pathfinder Pledge and Law are repeated in unison.)

Following the repeating of the Pathfinder Pledge and Law by the candidate, the director states, "We hereby declare _____ (Name of candidate) accepted into the fellowship of the _____ Pathfinder Club of the _____ Conference/Mission of Seventh-day Adventists. You are now being presented with a candle, (deputy director hands candidate a four-inch white candle) which you may now light from the 'Spirit of Pathfinding' candle, and place in the candleholder on the front center of the table. (Pathfinder lights the candle from the 15-inch candle and places it in the candleholder.) Your light is now added to our club, and we charge you in the presence of these Pathfinders to let your light shine before others in the Spirit of Pathfinding. We shall now ask our deputy director to pray that God will give you strength to live up to the high ideals of our club and to be a faithful and loyal club member."

The deputy director leads out in a prayer of consecration for the new member(s), while the club stands at prayer attention.

The director then declares, " _____ " (name of new member), you are now a full-fledged member of the _____ Pathfinder Club."

1. The new member then presents himself to the director to receive the hand of fellowship and the Pathfinder scarf.
2. Next, the deputy director, counselor, and captain of his unit give the member of the right hand of fellowship.
3. The club scribe presents member with a Pathfinder membership card.
4. The counselor and captain usher member to assigned unit.
5. The club sings the Pathfinder Song, and the lights are turned on, which brings the induction ceremony to a close.

Year-in-Review Photo Slideshow

This year, we are encouraging Club Directors to turn in slideshow videos of the pictures they have taken of their club over the course of the year. If you would like to participate in this: please make the video to be about 2-3 minutes long (the length of one short song, which can play in the background), and please get permission from your families to show their children in this slideshow for conference advertising purposes (telling people about our Conference Adventurer clubs and getting them excited to join one). If families are hesitant, there is no need to push the matter. Once you've made a video, please upload it to YouTube, and send the link to Ally's email address: apayne@wi.adventist.org. We would want to show these videos at Adventurer Fun Day, so please have them turned in by April 1 to have them counted.



Still have questions? Let us know how we can improve this packet in future years.
Your feedback is vital to the improvement of our ministry!

There is a helpful FAQ and lots more resources online at
wakonda.org/pathfinders

Don't forget: YOU are set apart. YOU are Wakonda.

